HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 845 By Hargrove

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Jay Barger for his outstanding work as a Legislative Intern.

WHEREAS, throughout the course of each legislative session, there have emerged certain individuals who far exceed basic requirements and normal performance levels, excelling in every aspect of legislative duties; and

WHEREAS, Jay Barger has distinguished himself as one such individual through his work as a legislative intern for the House Majority Leader, Representative Jere Hargrove; his efforts resulted in untold benefits for the Majority Leader, his staff, and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a highly regarded student at Middle Tennessee State University, Jay has excelled both academically and in extracurricular activities; he will graduate in May of 1998 and will be attending the law school of his choice this fall; and

WHEREAS, although he is often carded for "R" rated movies, Jay's maturity certainly belies his youthful appearance; Jay is a consummate leader and has served his fellow interns with acumen as the distinguished Vice-President of the Four Horsemen; and

WHEREAS, female interns in the 100th General Assembly have often been mesmerized by Jay's attractiveness, charm, and dexterity, requiring the office staff to install a sign-up sheet in order to fairly and equitably divide Jay's time between all interested parties; and

WHEREAS, during the legislative session, Jay was able to overcome one his biggest fears – camera shyness – in order to appear in the background of many interviews and television broadcasts from the Legislative Plaza; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Jay's accomplishments on camera and attempts to get near the camera, the Capitol Hill Press Corps has named Jay, "Intern Most Likely to Be In the Right Place At the Right Time"; and

WHEREAS, in celebration of his affinity for his two most favorite leisure activities—basketball and women—and in conjunction with the University of Tennessee Athletic Department, we bestow upon Jay the distinguished title of "Honorary Lady Vol"; and

WHEREAS, Jay's performance in the Intern-Member basketball game proved he will carry this title well; wearing the #1 proudly on his jersey, Jay played aggressively for at least one minute of the first game and three minutes of the second; and

WHEREAS, even when injured, Jay persevered each day, serving the Majority Leader and the office staff with extraordinary diligence and dedication; even when stabbed between the eyes with scissors by a fellow intern, Jay continued to work over the hot copier to get out the day's newsclips; and

WHEREAS, although Jay plans to pursue a law degree this coming fall, he is wellprepared to pursue a secondary career with his famed South Park impressions if necessary; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, Jay assisted his beloved co-worker, Emily, with a memorable addition to the daily newsclips; Jay will long be remembered for his role in this production of flattering pictures of the Majority Leader's staff; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of Jay's ability to age bottles of stagnant water on his desk like fine wines, we hereby confer upon him an Honorary Doctorate Degree in Vintage Watermaking; and

WHEREAS, during the 1998 legislative session, Jay exceeded all standards with regard to the qualities that are expected of a dedicated and competent legislative intern; he has earned

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the respect and admiration of the Majority Leader and his staff and as this legislative session comes to an end, he will be greatly missed; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE
CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Jay Barger for his outstanding work as a
Legislative Intern and wish him much success in all of his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Jay, with this final resolving clause deleted from such copy.

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